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TAGS: OVIP (KHAN, KHAN ABDUL GHAFAR), PK
SUBJ: MEDICAL TREATMENT FOR GHAFAR KHAN

1. URDU DAILY JANG REPORTED 28 MARCH THAT ACCORDING TO A RELIABLE SOURCE, THE US GOVERNMENT HAD EXPRESSED ITS INABILITY TO PROVIDE MEDICAL FACILITIES TO KHAN ABDUL GHAFAR KHAN, THE VENERABLE "FRONTIER GANDHI" AND FATHER OF NATIONAL DEMOCRATIC PARTY LEADER WALI KHAN. THIS BEING MIS-READ BY AT LEAST ONE FRONTIER JOURNALIST THAT GHAFAR KHAN WAS DENIED A VISA TO VISIT THE US FOR MEDICAL TREATMENT.

2. THIS IS THE FIRST WE HAVE HEARD OF EVEN THE POSSIBILITY OF GHAFAR KHAN'S SEEKING MEDICAL ATTENTION IN THE US: ALL PREVIOUS REFERENCES HAVE BEEN TO HIS ALLEGED HOPES TO BE PERMITTED TO VISIT CHINA FOR MEDICAL REASONS. A MEMBER OF THE FAMILY IN PESHAWAR HAS EXPRESSED MYSTIFICATION TO A CONSULATE CONTACT ABOUT THE REPORT. WE HAVE CHECKED WITH CONSULS, AND NONE HAS BEEN PRESENTED WITH A UNCLASSIFIED

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GHAFAR KHAN PASSPORT REQUESTING A VISA. WE HAVE TAKEN STEPS PUBLICLY TO ENSURE THAT RECORD IN PESHAWAR AREA IS SET STRAIGHT. IT WAS REPORTED TODAY THAT THE GOP HAS ISSUED GHAFAR KHAN A PASSPORT.

3. ACTION REQUESTED: BEFORE WE RAISE MATTER WITH JANG, HOWEVER, DOES DEPARTMENT HAVE ANY INFORMATION ABOUT ANY

FEELER OR REQUEST RE MEDICAL TREATMENT IN US FOR GHAFAR
KHAN FROM PAK EMBASSY OR OTHER CHANNELS?
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